

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

It was noted in the office action that numerals 50 and 64 were not included in the drawings. Figures 3a and 3c have been amended to include the missing numerals. The added numerals are located on the figures in conformance with the specification. Accordingly, no new matter is added hereby.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 15-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Peng, et al. (U.S. Publ. No. 2002/0033436).

The present apparatus claims have been amended to include a limitation drawn to a plurality of sets of mounting bores being defined in each mount bracket flat plate, each set of mounting bores for mounting each mount bracket independently to a respective one of the plurality of known flat panel displays. The method claim has been similarly amended to include step limitations corresponding to the noted structure. In distinction, Peng has a single set of mounting bores 333 for mounting a single known panel to the bracket. In view of the noted amendments to the claims, Peng is clearly not anticipatory with respect to the claims and the rejection is respectfully requested to be withdrawn.

Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 15-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Peng, et al. in view of Stuman (U.S. Pat. No. 2,621,357). Both Peng and Stuman have a single set of mounting bores. There is no teaching, suggestion, or structure in either Peng or Stuman for the above noted limitations of the present claims. In fact, by being useful for mounting only a single specific object (a panel in the case of Peng), both Peng and Stuman teach away from the claimed device of the present invention, which has structure and method steps expressly for mounting a plurality of known flat panel displays by means of a single mount. Accordingly, the rejection is respectfully requested to be withdrawn.

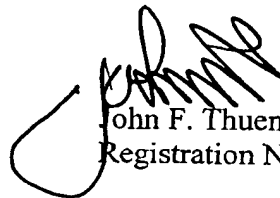
CONCLUSION

Claims 1-21 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1, 8, and 15 are amended.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

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